

## **To alert American Citizens of large political crowds in Lusaka August 11 - August 15**

**Warden Message  
US Embassy Lusaka  
August 10, 2006**

**This message is intended for all American citizens visiting or residing in Zambia. Since some people may not have provided e-mail addresses to the Consular Section, I would like to ask the wardens to please distribute the following notice to all American citizens within your registration zone as soon as possible. Thank you.**

Beginning on Friday, August 11 and running through the weekend until Tuesday, August 15 candidates for the Zambian general elections are expected to submit their nominations to the Zambian Supreme Court. Hundreds of the candidates' supporters are expected to collect in the area of the court, and historically this occasion has been accompanied by significant disruption. At a minimum severe traffic congestion can be expected in the area around the Supreme Court. In addition, the possibility exists that supporters of rival candidates could clash as both attempt to present their nominees. All American citizens are advised to avoid traveling near the Supreme Court, especially on Independence Avenue between United Nations and Church Road beginning for the period indicated above.

For the latest security information, Americans living and traveling abroad should regularly monitor the Department's Bureau of Consular Affairs Internet website at <http://travel.state.gov>, where the current Worldwide Caution, Public Announcements, and Travel Warnings can be found. Up-to-date information can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll free in the U.S., or, for callers outside the U.S. and Canada, a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM Eastern time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).

The U.S. Embassy is located at the corner of Independence and United Nations Avenues. The mailing address is P.O. Box 31617, Lusaka, Zambia. U.S. citizens may contact the American Embassy during regular work hours, Monday through Thursday from 7:30 AM to 5 PM, and on Friday from 7:30 AM to 12:30 PM by dialing 260-1-250-955. For after hours emergencies involving American citizens, please dial 260-1-250-955 extension 1. The fax number is 260-1-252-225. The website is: <http://zambia.usembassy.gov>.